Wm. Paetznick

Services for William J. Paetznick, 81, were held at 10 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 22, at the United Methodist Church with the Rev. Larry Moore officiating. Burial was in the Groton Union Cemetery with military rites conducted by Groton Post No. 39 of the American Legion.

Mr. Paetznick died Tuesday, Jan. 18, at St. Lukes Hospital in Aberdeen.

Music was provided by Margaret and Myrtle Blader singing "What A Friend We Have In Jesus" and Richard Karnopp, solist, singing "Nearer My God To Thee" accompanied by Mrs. Robert Wegner, organist.

Honorary pallbearers were Gus Carlson, William Klaus, Roy Mielke, Alvin Anderson, Jim Murray, Edward Paeth, Randall Peterson and Richard Dorfschmidt. Active pallbearers were William Heitmann, Ralph Karnopp, Louis Krueger, Arthur Lange, Earl Ruden and Robert Voigt.

Mr. Paetznick was born Oct. 6, 1890, in Groton and married Mae Carls at Red Wing, Minn., Dec. 11, 1919. He was a veteran of World War 1 and a member of the Groton Legion Post. He served on the Groton City Council and was a volunteer fireman until 1962.

Mr. Paetznick started in the blacksmith business with his father Frank and brother Emil when a young man. In 1958, due to arthritis, he sold his shop to Arthur Lange. When his health improved he opened a blacksmith shop in Stratford working until he retired in 1962.

Survivors include his widow; and one brother, Frank, Denver, Colo.

He was preceded in death by one brother and two sisters.

Paetznick - Garness Funeral Chapel was in charge of arrangements.